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TESTIMONY TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LABOR & PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT For Hearing on Tuesday, March 24, 2015 9:45 a.m., Conference Room 309

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JAMES K. NISHIMOTO
OFFICE OF COLLECTIVE BARGAINING, CHIEF NEGOTIATOR

Senate Bill Nos. 1076 S.D.1; 1077 S.D.1; 1078 S.D.1; 1079 S.D.1; 1080 S.D.1; 1081 S.D.1; 1082 S.D.1; 1083 S.D.1; and 1084 S.D.1 Making Appropriations for Collective Bargaining Cost Items

(WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY)

CHAIRPERSON NAKASHIMA, VICE CHAIR KEOHOKALOLE AND MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LABOR & PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT:

These bills provide fund authorizations and appropriations for collective bargaining cost items for bargaining units (14), (2), (3), (4), (5), (10), (11), (8) and (9) and their excluded counterparts, including the cost of salary adjustments negotiated between the State and the respective bargaining unit representatives for fiscal biennium 2015 – 2017.

The Office of Collective Bargaining (OCB) is **IN SUPPORT** of these bills.

OCB is in favor of these bills continuing to proceed through the legislative process to ensure adequate funding of negotiated cost items.

TESTIMONY BY WESLEY K. MACHIDA
DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCE
STATE OF HAWAII
TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT
ON
SENATE BILL NOS. 1077, S.D. 1; 1078, S.D. 1; 1079, S.D. 1;
1083, S.D. 1; AND 1084, S.D. 1

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MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS

These measures are vehicle bills to appropriate and authorize funds for collective bargaining cost items for salary adjustments and other cost adjustments for public employees represented by the Hawaii Government Employees' Association and their excluded counterparts for Fiscal Biennium 2015-17.

The Department of Budget and Finance supports moving these administration proposals, or similar ones, as negotiations are currently in progress and vehicle bills will be necessary should an agreement be reached or arbitration award issued prior to the end of the legislative session. The bargaining units addressed in the bills are as follows: Senate Bill No. 1077, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 2; Senate Bill No. 1078, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 3; Senate Bill No. 1079, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 4; Senate Bill No. 1083, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 8; and Senate Bill No. 1084, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 9.

Testimony Presented Before the
House Committee on Labor & Public Employment
March 24, 2015 at 9:45 am Room 309
by
Kalbert Young
Vice President – Budget & Finance & Chief Financial Officer

SB 1079 SD1 – MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS

University of Hawai'i

Chair Nakashima, Vice Chair Keohokalole, and members of the Labor & Public Employment Committee:

Thank you for this opportunity to testify. The University of Hawai'i (UH) supports SB1079 SD1, Making Appropriations for Collective Bargaining Cost Items. This measure would provide fund authorization and appropriations for collective bargaining cost items on behalf of UH employees represented by unit (4) and their excluded counterparts, pursuant to collective bargaining agreements between the State of Hawai'i and the bargaining unit for fiscal biennium 2015-2017.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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Testimony by
Hawaii Government Employees Association
March 24, 2015

S.B. 1077, S.B. 1078, S.B. 1079, S.B. 1083, S.B. 1084, and S.B. 1152

The Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO strongly supports S.B. 1077, S.B. 1078, S.B. 1079, S.B. 1083, S.B. 1084, and S.B. 1152 each of which provide a vehicle to implement pending collective bargaining agreements for fiscal biennium 2015 - 2017.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of the above legislation.

Respectfully submitted,

Randy Perreira
Executive Director





House Committee on Labor & Public Employment Representative Mark Nakashima, Chair Representative Jarrett Keohokalole, Vice Chair

March 24, 2015 Conference Room 309 9:45 a.m. Hawaii State Capitol

Testimony Supporting Senate Bill 1079, SD1
Making Appropriations for Collective Bargaining Cost Items.
Provides fund authorizations and appropriations for collective bargaining cost items for collective bargaining unit (4) and their excluded counterparts, including the cost of salary adjustments negotiated between the State and the bargaining unit representative for fiscal biennium 2015-2017.

Linda Rosen, M.D., M.P.H. Chief Executive Officer Hawaii Health Systems Corporation

On behalf of the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation (HHSC) Corporate Board of Directors, thank you for the opportunity to present testimony in **support of SB 1079**, **SD1**.

HHSC strongly supports this bill that will appropriate funding from the General Fund to provide our over 20 white-collar supervisors with their negotiated or arbitrated wages. HHSC requests that the Legislature pass this measure.

We appreciate the Committee's focus on improving healthcare for our island communities. Thank you for the opportunity to testify before this committee.

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